



**National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Advanced Planning & Integration Office
Technology Capability Roadmap**

Advanced Modeling, Simulation and Analysis

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Modeling & Simulation Team Co-Chairs

Erik K. Antonsson, Ph.D., P.E., Chief Technologist, Jet Propulsion Laboratory; Professor of Mechanical Engineering, California Institute of Technology.

Research focus: Engineering System Design Methods

Tamas Gombosi, Ph.D., Professor and Chair in the Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences; Professor of Aerospace Engineering; Director of the Space Physics Research Laboratory at the University of Michigan and Director of the Center for Space Environment Modeling.

Research focus: Development of a first-principles based, predictive global space weather simulation framework (SWMF) extending from the solar photosphere to the terrestrial atmosphere; High-performance multiscale 3D MHD simulations of solar system plasmas on solution adaptive unstructured grids.

Modeling & Simulation Team

NASA SMD Representatives

Harley Thronson, Ph.D., Assistant Associate
Administrator, Technology, Science Mission Directorate
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His previous duties at NASA have included serving as the Acting Science Program Director for the Astronomical Search for Origins and Planetary Systems. He has also served as the senior scientist for the Hubble Space Telescope (HST), the Spitzer Space Telescope (SIRTF), and the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST). Over the past few years, he has served as senior scientist for the Decade Planning Team, the NASA Exploration Team, and a number of other long-range planning activities.

Giulio Varsi, Ph.D., Deputy Assistant Associate
Administrator, Technology, Science Mission Directorate
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Modeling & Simulation Team

NASA APIO Coordinator

Janice Aikins, Ph.D., Advanced Planning and Integration Office (APIO).

Dr. Aikins previously held the position of Director, Global Engineering for Sun Microsystems. While at Sun, Dr. Aikins also held the position of Director, Technology Planning and Communications.

As Director of Technology Integration for Adobe Systems, Dr. Aikins defined cross-product, corporate solutions for shared product technologies and use of shared resources.

Dr. Aikins served as Principal, Corporate Strategy and Innovation, at Xerox PARC, and was a founder of a startup, Aion Corporation, now a part of Computer Associates.

Modeling & Simulation Team Charter

To identify what is needed to enhance NASA's capabilities to produce leading-edge exploration and science missions by improving engineering system development and science understanding through broad application of advanced modeling, simulation and analysis techniques.

Modeling & Simulation Definition

Engineering Systems:

Develop applications for engineering to enable prediction of performance of many alternatives, to rapidly and systematically explore complex design spaces, and to evaluate designs where testing is not possible.

Science Data Analysis & Science Scenarios Execution:

Develop and implement applications in multiple science disciplines to understand elucidate physical phenomena, and to analyze experimental results.

Identify necessary infrastructure to enable those applications to be run effectively.

Importance to NASA

- Modeling and simulation are being used effectively throughout the Space business
 - Engineering
 - Science
- These tools allow high fidelity simulations of systems
 - Simulating environments that are difficult or impossible to create on Earth
 - Rapid exploration of complex engineering design trade spaces
 - Removing humans from experiments in dangerous situations
 - Providing visualizations of datasets that are extremely large and complicated.
- Examples of past simulation successes
 - Hypersonic flowfield simulations around the Space Shuttle Columbia
 - Coupled optical/thermal/structural simulations of telescope systems
 - Simulations of entry conditions for man-rated space flight vehicles
 - Visualizations of distant planet topography via simulated fly-over
 - 3-D visualizations of coupled ocean and weather systems.

Note: In many of these situations, assimilation of real data into a highly sophisticated physics models is needed

Topic Content - Level 1

- Computing Software Systems and Tools
- Systems Management Technology
- Applications
- Networking

Topic Content

Computing Software Systems and Tools

Operating Systems

- Usability and scalability

- System reliability

Languages, Compilers, and Libraries

- New, tailored languages

- Automated compiler optimization

Software tools and Development environments

- Distributed

- Cluster

- Grid computing

Algorithms

- High performance on multiprocessor systems

- Libraries

Frameworks

- Solid Earth

- Earth Science Modeling Framework

- Space Weather Modeling Framework

Data Management and Transport

- High speed cache management systems

- Intelligent data controllers

Human/ computer interfaces

- Application-specific GUIs

- Portal management tools

- Resource management tools

Collaborative environments

- Software systems

- Shared applications

Visualization tools

- Display technologies

- High speed read-in/read-out

Topic Content

Systems Management Technology

Systems architecture

- Systems designs for science and engineering**

- Multi-user optimization**

- Simulation Environments**

System modeling and performance analysis

- Tools to assess code/machine interactions**

- Optimization approaches for systems**

Reliability, availability, serviceability, and security

- Fault isolation / fail soft**

- Defense against malicious intent**

Programming models

- New, abstract constructs**

- Consistency with legacy code**

Topic Content

Applications

Science Discovery and Analysis

Earth System Simulation

Space Physics

Astrophysics

Planetary Science

Fluid Dynamics

Mission Engineering and Design Tradespaces

Mission Design

Spacecraft Design

Instrument Design

Space Environment Interactions

Data assimilation approaches

Simulation systems

Data access systems

Outreach Applications

Topic Content

Networking

Long haul, Ultra-high bandwidth

Infrastructure

Distributed, dynamic resource allocation

Protocols

High efficiency transmission

Reliable transmission

Data access / virtual storage tools

Virtual, verified, secure access to distributed data sets

Metadata management

Service brokers

Related Roadmap Teams

- Systems Engineering Cost/Risk Analysis
- Advanced Telescopes and Observatories
- Scientific Instruments/Sensors
- Robotic Access to Planetary Surfaces
- High-Energy Power and Propulsion

Modeling & Simulation Team Process

Starting from a set of Design Reference Missions and Measurements

Identify Enabling Capabilities

Assess Required Technologies

- Identify relevant technologies

- Assess the state-of-the-art capability

- Derive requirements

Develop Roadmap (timing/phasing, maturity, etc.)

- Identify the performance level needed by the reference missions/measurements and trace the development required.

Roadmap Steps

- Form team
- Finalize the topic content
- Solicit input from broad community on capabilities needed
- Team meeting #1
 - Review and assess charter, topic and input
 - Assign areas of planning to subteams
 - Produce subteam plans
- Team meeting #2
 - Review and assess all subteam inputs
 - Produce draft roadmap
- Team meeting #3
 - Review draft roadmap

Status

- Team is selected
- Preliminary topic content and structure exists
- First telecon meeting planned for first week of December
- First team meeting planned for first week of January

Summary Statistics of White Papers

- Total of 31 papers
- Total of 17 registrants with M&S papers
- Breakout by subject:
 - 7 in Aerospace systems design
 - 6 in Vendor capabilities
 - 1 in Health Management systems
 - 1 in Navigation modeling
 - 1 in large scale distributed computing
 - 1 in large scale computing for science models

Advanced Modeling, Simulation & Analysis Public Meeting Agenda

Author	Organization	Title	Schedule
William Campbell	NASA GSFC	Virtual Immersion into Data	11:00
George Davis	Emergent Space Technologies	Distributed Space Systems	11:15
Mark Gersh	Lockheed Martin	Goals and Challenges	11:30
Cindy Kurt	United Space Alliance	Mission Design	13:00
Jason Lohn	NASA ARC	Automated Design Systems	13:15
Doug VanGilder	AFRL, VPI, UCLA, JPL	Experimentally Validated Simulation	13:30
Michael Williams	Savannah River National Laboratory	SRNL Capabilities	14:00
Martin Lo	NASA JPL	New Trajectories	14:15
Aaron Johns	UGS	UGS/Team Center Capabilities	14:45
Dave Smith	Boeing	Coupled Science Models	15:00
Charles Norton	NASA JPL/GSFC	Parallel Meshing	15:15
Sanjay Garg	NASA GRC	Health Management Systems	15:30
Trygve Magelssen	Futron Corporation	Technology Infusion Assessment System	15:45